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Cors planting beging aboot May 1 th and
continneababoat foor weeks．The oaretal tarmer seleote his seed in the fall belor
treazing weather deastroys the germ treezing wen wint dine barry，two earrs tied to－
hong on gether by the holk，and left to dry out be
tore extreme fore extreme oold weatber，there need be
no aoxiety as to its sproating qualities．No no anxiety as to its sprocuing qualities．
part of the farm management or work ion of suob vithar imporanoe as the eneleotion
and care of seed corn．We have in mind and care of seed oorn．We have in mind
neighbor，who after the third planting rait neightor，who ather the final planting b
ed a crop of todder，the ing to late to＂earo out，＂and we sold hi
in surplue，to teed has toek our surplus，to teed his stock．It pays big
to lookk well to the eeed corr．To the
Towe Iowa tarmer，interested in his vocation，
there is no work so mooh like recreation to mount a good tworow planter with a
wire ebeok row attoohment and a pair of good horses to draw the maohine aoross the
field．Soch an outfit will poes Iwelve aorese a dayat，planting in pase over ten or
straight，both wase， －two to three or three to titing the grains piog platees may be adjusted io the prope place and at the desired depth，and well
covered ；two rows at a time，all done
 ten days，ordinarily to plant eigbty aoress，
though the writer，after a siege of twenty． six days，or parts thereof－there being oon－
siderable rain to intertere siderable rain to intertere－was glad to
step down when the job was step down when the job was completed－
one huadred and twenty aores．The har． one hadred and twenty aores．The
rows－nsaally two of them，keep the
roonad mellow and the weeds down，antil groand mellow and the weede down，until
the spront shows itiolf．When liarge the oultivator，for one or owo rowe，with
the operator to the operator to oride or walk，atter thriee or
tour times going over，is pronoenoed＂laid
＂ ＂pioking．＂
An eighty aore yield for a reasonable seasoo should be five thooseand bubbele，a
very eatietatory return for any Iowa farm－ very eatiefatoory retura for any lowa tarm－
er，though better bas been obtained，and yet a large average falle far below，for as a no orib．The beat we ever had wasl eight handred and ninety bashels from elevent handred and ninety baikele from eleven enty poands on the cob，ifty－six off．
Harveating the small grain is done wit vell－binders the same as many of the Penn．
lvainans now was ；and from the tacke， the threahing is done with a a team or gaso．
lene eugine，self－feding，self－weighing
 bor ；geting the sheavea to the
ovd oaring for the oleaned grain． Fitteen sucoessive orops ot corn hat
been prod noed，but that day has goone
 ad bhree or foor years in sacoession，when thy and olover．Very littie wheat io pro－
duoed in our part of the Slate，the yield being tar below the relative value of oorn
and oats，or hay and pasture，and the qual－ ity of the flon being below that made
trom Missouri winter wheat，so that it can be seen that the fat produoink crop，some－
thing for hoga and cattle，are in the asoend－ anoy；；orr，oate，hay or pasture．We We
made good with potatoes，though the av－ rage Iowa tarmer ia just an particular as bo
how muob hard work he can get along without，as his Penneyl vauia brotber，and aspeoially when it is a back．breaking job
of the almost endless＂picking ap＂varie－ ty．The yield in our furming day
ways good and the prive down．
Oar best yield on the old home place was hree hundred and eighty．five bosbels，
from nine of seed，on a fration less than an aore of ground．One－third of this is con－ sidered good．A twenty aore patoh of a
neighbor produced thirty five handred bushels some ten years ago，but it would have to go some to do it now，tor ground
wears out in Iowa just as it does in Penn－ sylvania．
Timothy Timothy and elover mixed gives a good
roturn．With a good outting in July and
alight one in Ootober，four tons he be the best gield，bat in all ouseas it tas been in dustrious，ap－to－date tarmer that carries with tes red riboos．
and the eorn＂laid by．＂tho reasell of of six，
mooths ineesant labor and toil of the six． teen－hour a－day stripe，the ten September
dags are at havd，when all hands，inolud－ ing the hoosewite and toddlers，are privi－
leged to take advantage of，and realls en．
． joy themselves；the State Fair，a real va－
cation time，spent not only in reoreation， caton ime，opent aof oill hotormation and
bat for aotal henel
obtaining new idea，the value of which it hard to measare ；and here we rest for a
short time，to prepare a ourb on what we shall try to eas of our Fair，and perhape
torestall the ohap that likes to say，＂Hot Des Moinee，Ia．，Feb 12tb， 1909.

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